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AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR

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AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

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ROCAP

E.O. 11652 N/A

SUBJECT: DRAFT CONSENSUS PAPER FOLLOWING FEB. 10-12 MEETING OF
EMBOFFS AND ROCAP

REFS: (A) SAN JOSE 972; (B) SOWASH LETTER, FEB. 26; (C) MOSKOWITZ
LETTER MARCH 3; (D) WARNER LETTER MARCH 5; (E) FERCH-ALLEN
TELECON FEB. 18

1. THANKS FOR YOUR COMMENTS IN REFS.
2. COMMENTS HAVE NOW BEEN RECEIVED FROM ALL EMBASSIES. GUATEMALA
AND TEGUCIGALPA CONCURRED WITHOUT CHANGES.
3. SAN SALVADOR SUGGESTED CHANGE IN SYNTAX OF SENTENCE I (A),
WHICH WOULD NOW READ "(QUOTE) CONSIDERABLE SKEPTICISM EXISTS,
AND PROPERLY SO, THAT THE DRAFT TREATY WILL BE ACCEPTABLE IN ITS
PRESENT FORM TO THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS (UNQUOTE)". ROCAP
RECOMMENDS ACCEPTANCE THIS CHANGE.
4. BOTH SAN JOSE AND SAN SALVADOR SUGGESTED CHANGES IN THE LEAD-
IN TO SECTION II. TO MEET THESE SUGGESTIONS, WHILE ALSO TAKING
INTO ACCOUNT THE CONCURRENCE OF ALL OTHERS IN THE ORIGINAL LANGUAGE,

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ROCAP SUGGESTS: "(QUOTE) WITH REGARD TO THE SPECIFIC CONTENT OF

THE DRAFT TREATY NOW BEFORE THE HIGH LEVEL COMMITTEE, A NUMBER OF ELEMENTS THAT MAY BE IMPRACTICAL OR UNNEGOTIABLE IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES WERE NOTED. SPECIFICALLY, IT WAS OBSERVED THAT: (UNQUOTE)".

5 SAN SALVADOR SUGGESTED AN ADDITIONAL SENTENCE AT THE BEGINNING OF SECTION III, DESCRIBING THE ROLE OF THE U.S. MISSIONS AND ROCAP WITH REGARD TO CURRENT CA EFFORTS TO DEVELOP A NEW INTEGRATION FORMULA. ROCAP PROPOSES THAT, IF THE OTHER EMBASSIES CONCUR AN ADDITIONAL SENTENCE BE INSERTED, AND THAT IT SHOULD READ "(QUOTE) U.S. EMBASSIES IN CENTRAL AMERICAN AND ROCAP SHARE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR REPORTING ON CENTRAL AMERICAN EFFORTS TO DEVELOP A NEW INTEGRATION FORMULA AND FOR INFORMING WASHINGTON HOW THESE MAY AFFECT U.S. INTERESTS (UNQUOTE)".

6. MANAGUA NONCONCURRED IN SECTION IV. ROCAP RECOMMENDS THAT THIS SITUATION BE MET BY A NOTE AT THE END OF SECTION IV, AS FOLLOWS "(QUOTE) NOTE: HOWEVER, EMBASSY MANAGUA WILL ENCOURAGE ITS HOST GOVERNMENT TO UTILIZE C.A. REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH ITS REPRESENTATION AT INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS ONLY IN SPECIFIC CASES TO BE DETERMINED AD HOC BY THE EMBASSY (UNQUOTE)".

7. REQUEST YOUR CONCURRENCE THESE CHANGES ASAP, IN ORDER THAT CONSENSUS MAY BE FORWARDED TO DEPARTMENT. TRAGEN

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